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THIRD INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants are enclosing copies of several documents which may be material to examination of the present application.

More specifically, Applicants are submitting a copy of a PCT Search Report (PCT/ISA/220 and 210), which was issued by the European Patent Office (EPO) in a corresponding PCT application. This PCT Search Report was mailed December 6, 2002. The PCT Search Report cites four documents, and a copy

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of each is enclosed. Each of these enclosed documents is listed on enclosed Form PTO-1449.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted prior to receipt of a first Office Action on the merits. Moreover, since the PCT application designates other countries, and since the search report was issued by the EPO, it is hereby stated that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

It is respectfully requested that the enclosed documents be considered when the present application is taken up for examination. Favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested.

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Enclosures: PCT Search Report (7 sheets)
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